In the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims.

1 – 15. **(Canceled)**.

16. **(Previously Presented)** A catalytic system comprising:

(a) a strongly acidic ion-exchange resin polymeric catalyst, and

(b) a (co)oligomerization additive of general formula (2)

$$R^1—E—R^2 \qquad (2)$$

wherein:

E represents an element of group 16;

R^1 represents a hydrogen or deuterium atom;

R^2 represents a hydrogen or deuterium atom, or a group of formula $-E_{14}(R_{14})(R'_{14})(R''_{14})$;

wherein:

E_{14} is an element of group 14;

R_{14}, R'_{14} and R''_{14} represent, independently, a hydrogen atom; a deuterium atom; or a substituted or non-substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl or aryl,

wherein said substituent or substituents comprise: halos,

hydroxys, alkyls, alkoxys, cycloalkyls, cycloalkoxys, aryls, aryloxys, carboxys,

alkoxycarbonyls, cycloalkoxycarbonyls and aryloxycarbonyls or mixtures thereof;

for the (co)oligomerization of lactide and/or glycolide by ring opening

wherein the quantity of monomer relative to the quantity of (co)oligomerization additive ranges from 2 to 30 molar equivalents.

17. **(Canceled)**.

18. **(Previously presented)** The catalytic system of claim 16, wherein the quantity of monomer relative to the quantity of (co)oligomerization additive ranges from 4 to 10 molar equivalents.

19. **(Previously presented)** The catalytic system of claim 16, wherein the polymeric catalyst comprises a styrene and divinylbenzene-based macroreticular resin with sulfonic acid functions.

20. **(Previously presented)** The catalytic system of claim 16, wherein the polymeric catalyst comprises a macroreticular Amberlyst® or Dowex® resin.

21. **(Previously presented)** The catalytic system of claim 20, wherein the polymeric catalyst comprises an Amberlyst® resin.

22. **(Previously presented)** The catalytic system of claim 16, wherein the compound of general formula (2) is such that

E represents an oxygen or sulfur atom;

R^1 represents a hydrogen atom;

R^2 represents a hydrogen atom or a group of formula $-E_{14}(R_{14})(R'_{14})(R''_{14})$;

wherein E_{14} is a carbon or silicon atom;

R_{14}, R'_{14}, and R''_{14} represent, independently, a hydrogen atom, or substituted or non-substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl or aryl,

wherein said substituent or substituents comprise: halos, alkyls, cycloalkyls, phenyls, naphthyls, carboxys and alkoxycarbonyls or mixtures thereof.

23. **(Previously presented)** The catalytic system of claim 16, wherein the compound of general formula (2) is such that

E represents an oxygen atom;

R^1 represents a hydrogen atom;

R^2 represents a hydrogen atom or a group of formula $-E_{14}(R_{14})(R'_{14})(R''_{14})$;

wherein E_{14} is a carbon atom;

R_{14}, R'_{14}, and R''_{14} represent, independently, a hydrogen atom, or a substituted or non-substituted alkyl radical

wherein said substituent or substituents comprise: alkyls, carboxys, and alkoxycarbonyls, or mixtures thereof.

24. **(Previously presented)** The catalytic system of claim 16, wherein the compound of general formula (2) is such that

E represents an oxygen atom;

R^1 represents a hydrogen atom;

R^2 represents a hydrogen atom or a group of formula $-E_{14}(R_{14})(R'_{14})(R''_{14})$

wherein E_{14} represents a carbon atom and

R_{14}, R'_{14}, and R''_{14} represent, independently, a hydrogen atom or an alkyl radical.

25. **(Previously presented)** The catalytic system of claim 16, wherein the compound of general formula (2) comprises water or an alcohol.

26. **(Currently Amended)** The catalytic system of claim 25, wherein the compound of general formula (2) comprises ~~alcohol is~~ an aliphatic alcohol.

27. **(Currently Amended)** The catalytic system of claim 26, wherein the compound of general formula (2) comprises ~~aliphatic alcohol is~~ isopropanol, pentan-1-ol, dodecan-1-ol, or mixtures thereof.

28 – 32. **(Withdrawn)**.

33. **(New)** The catalytic system of claim 16, wherein the conversion of monomer is greater than 95%.

34. **(New)** The catalytic system of claim 16, wherein the (co)oligomerization results in a degree of polymerization is less than 30.